

Unemployment and Employment

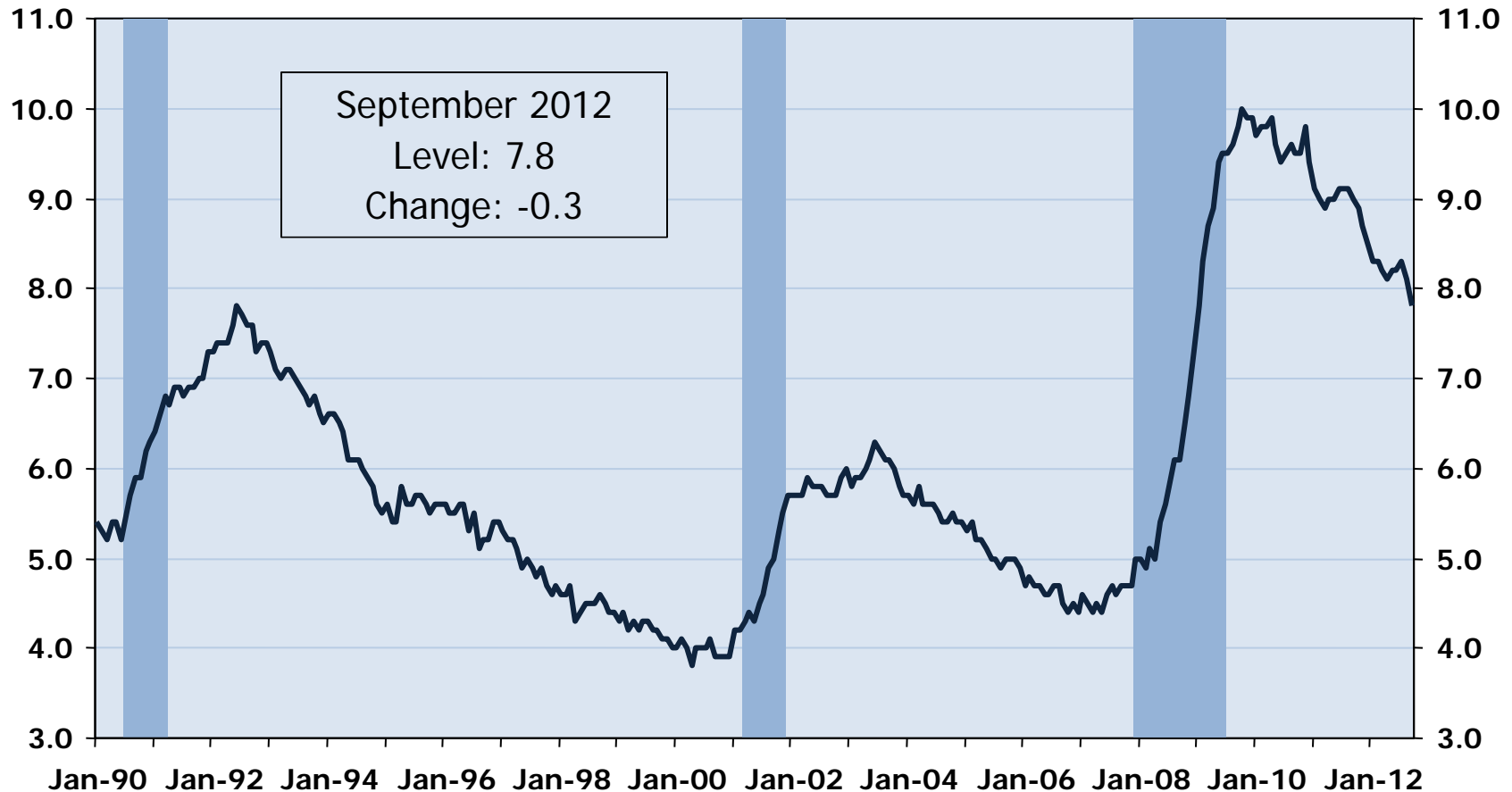
Headline

- Information from two surveys
- Unemployment rate declined to 7.8 percent in September (Household survey).
- Nonfarm payroll employment grew by 114,000 in September, about equal to the prior 6-month average change (Establishment survey).

Civilian unemployment rate

January 1990–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, percent

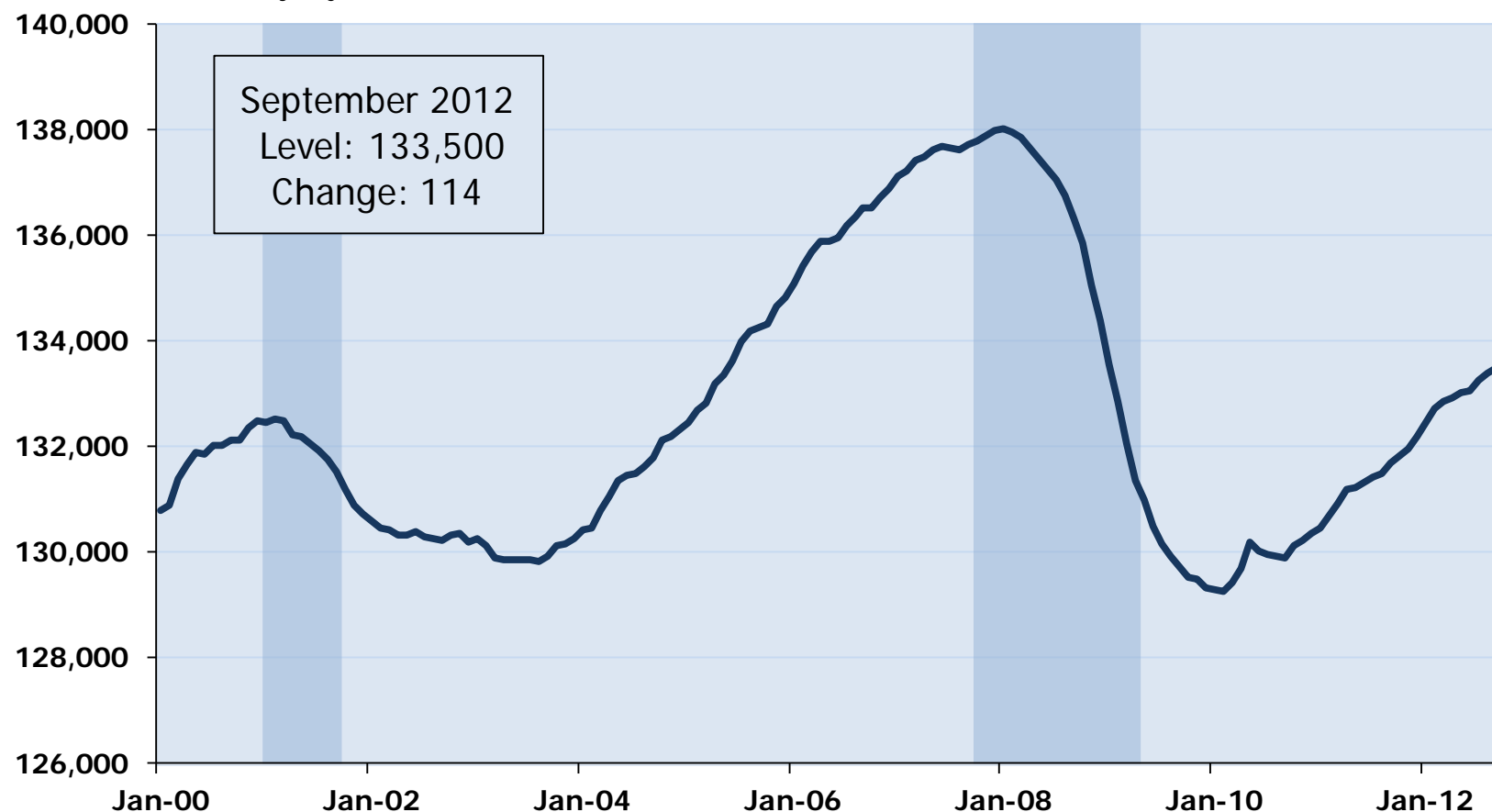


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, October 5, 2012.

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Employment in total nonfarm January 2000–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, in thousands

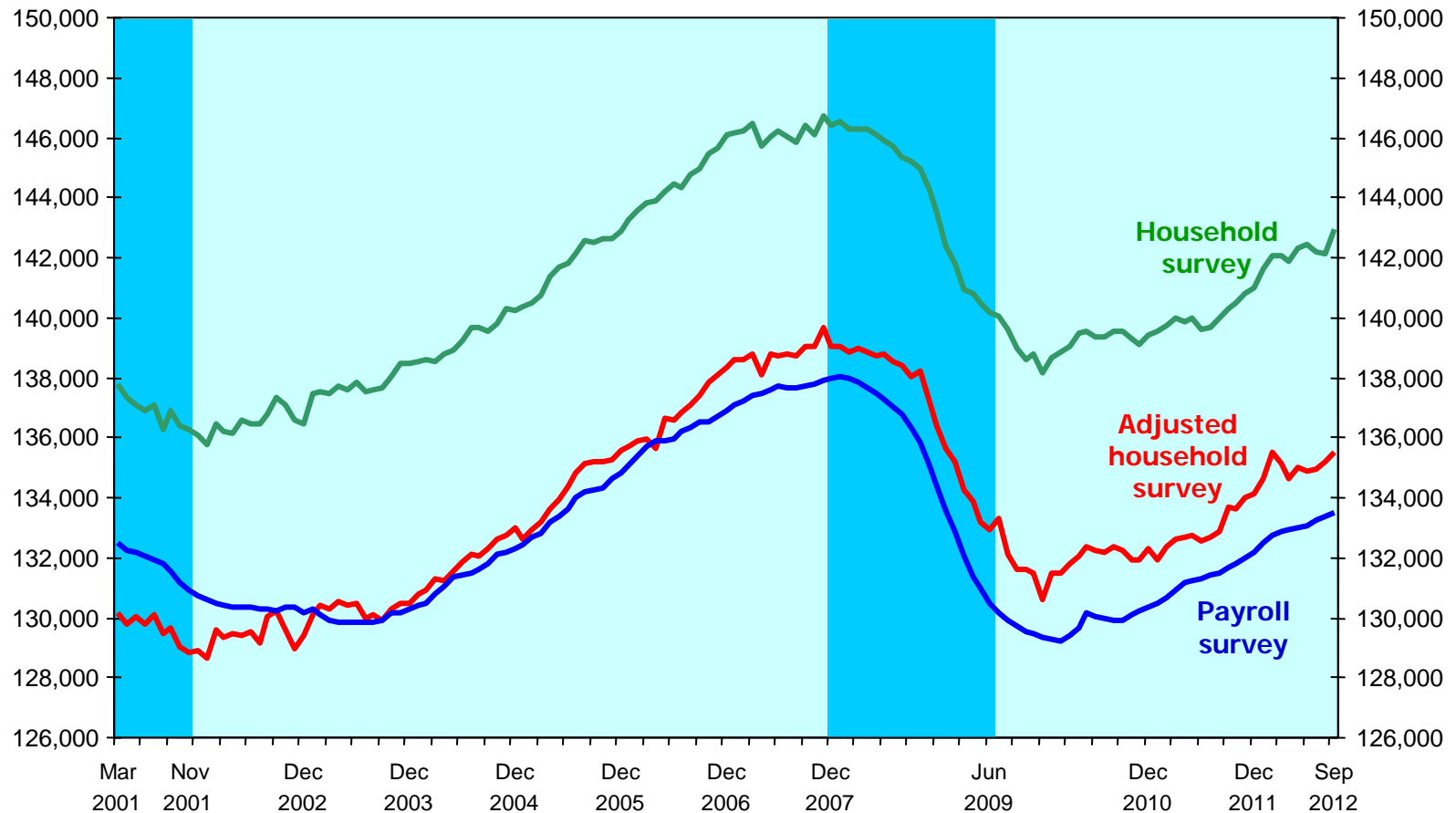


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Household and payroll survey employment March 2001–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, in thousands

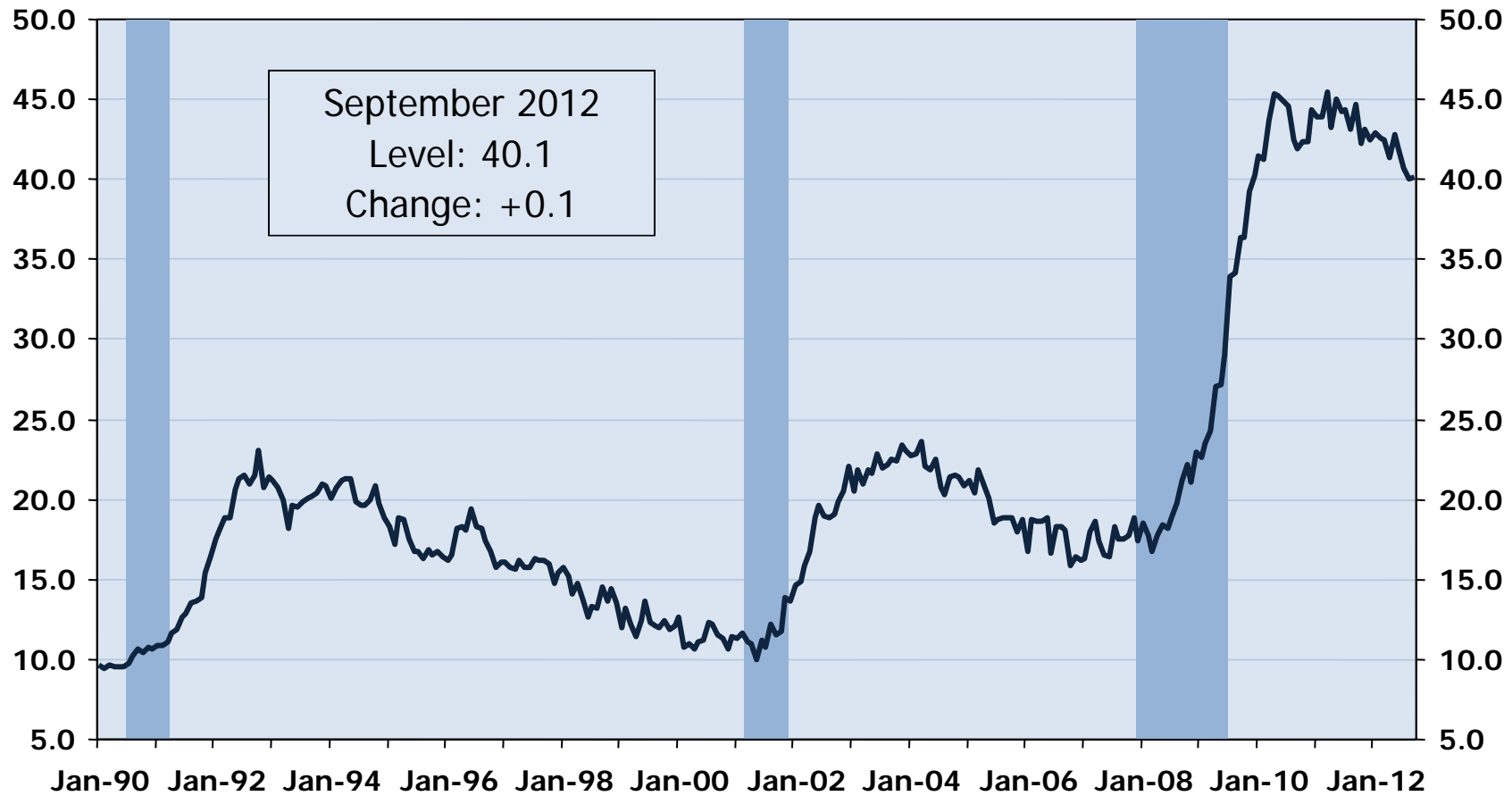


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, October 5, 2012.

Note: The household series presented here has been smoothed for population control revisions. The "adjusted" household series has been adjusted to an employment concept more similar to the payroll survey's and smoothed for population control revisions. Shaded areas represent recessions as determined by the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)..

Percent unemployed 27 weeks or more January 1990–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, percent



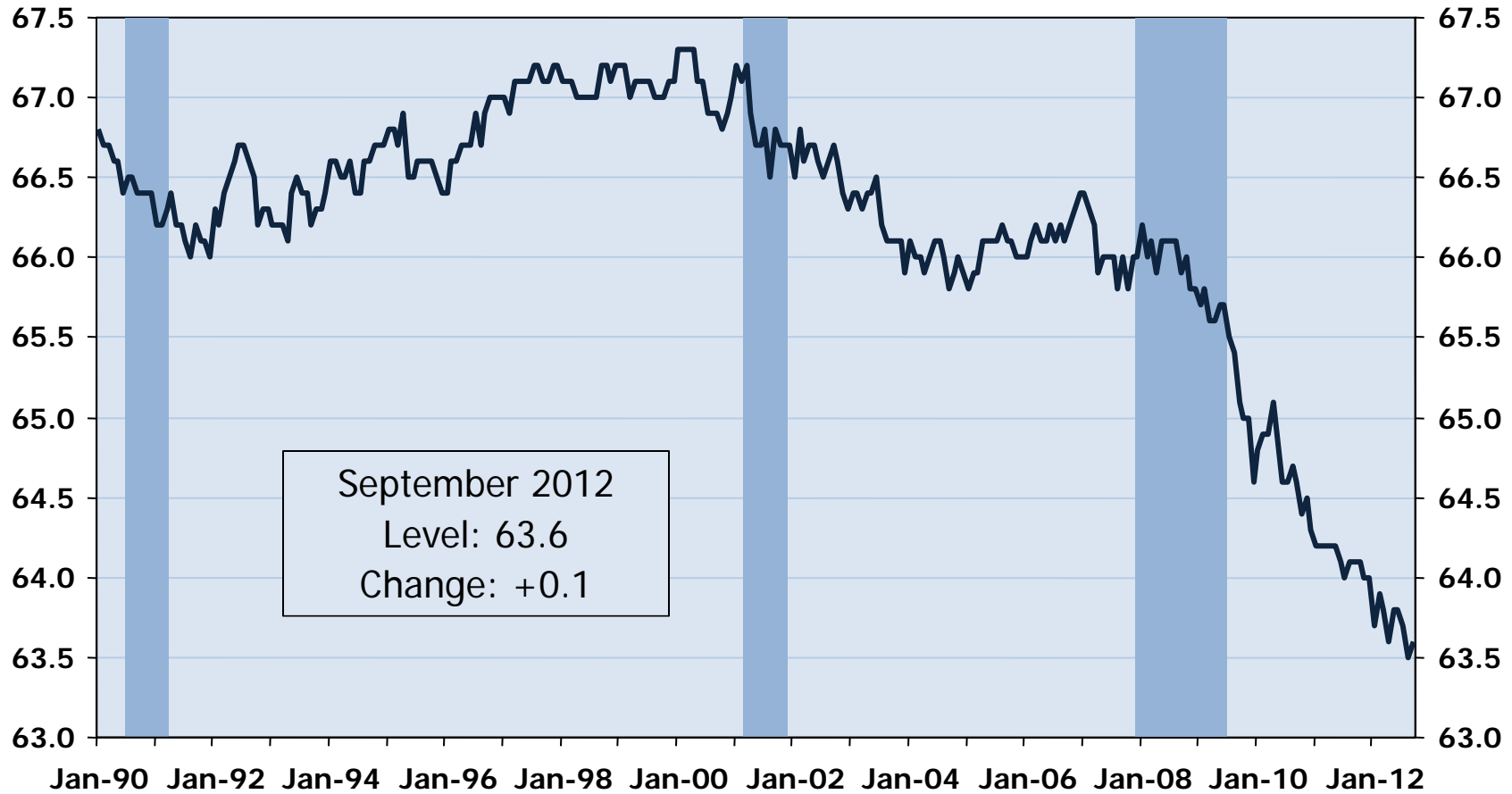
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Labor force participation rate

January 1990–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, percent



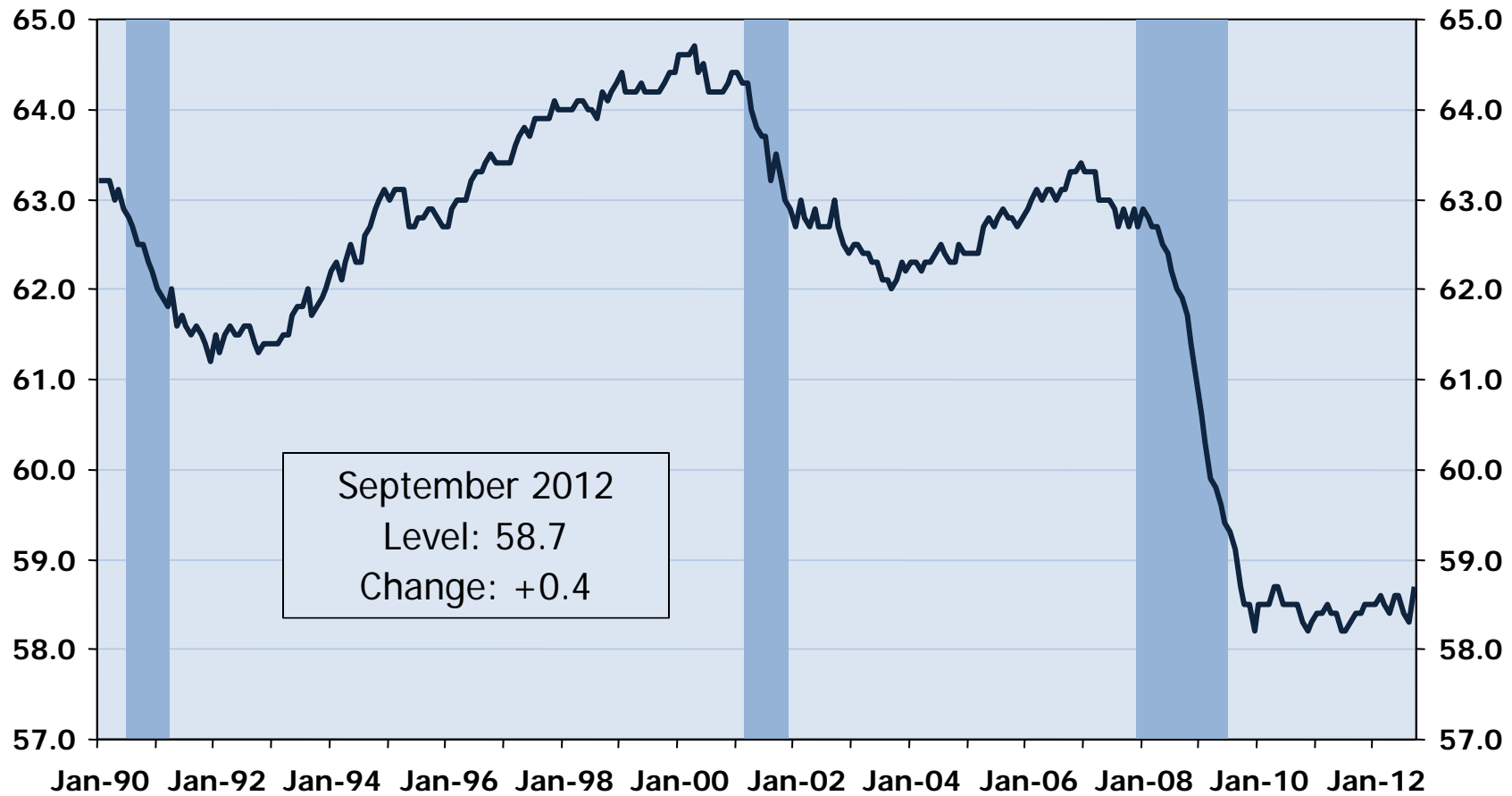
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Employment-population ratio

January 1990–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, percent



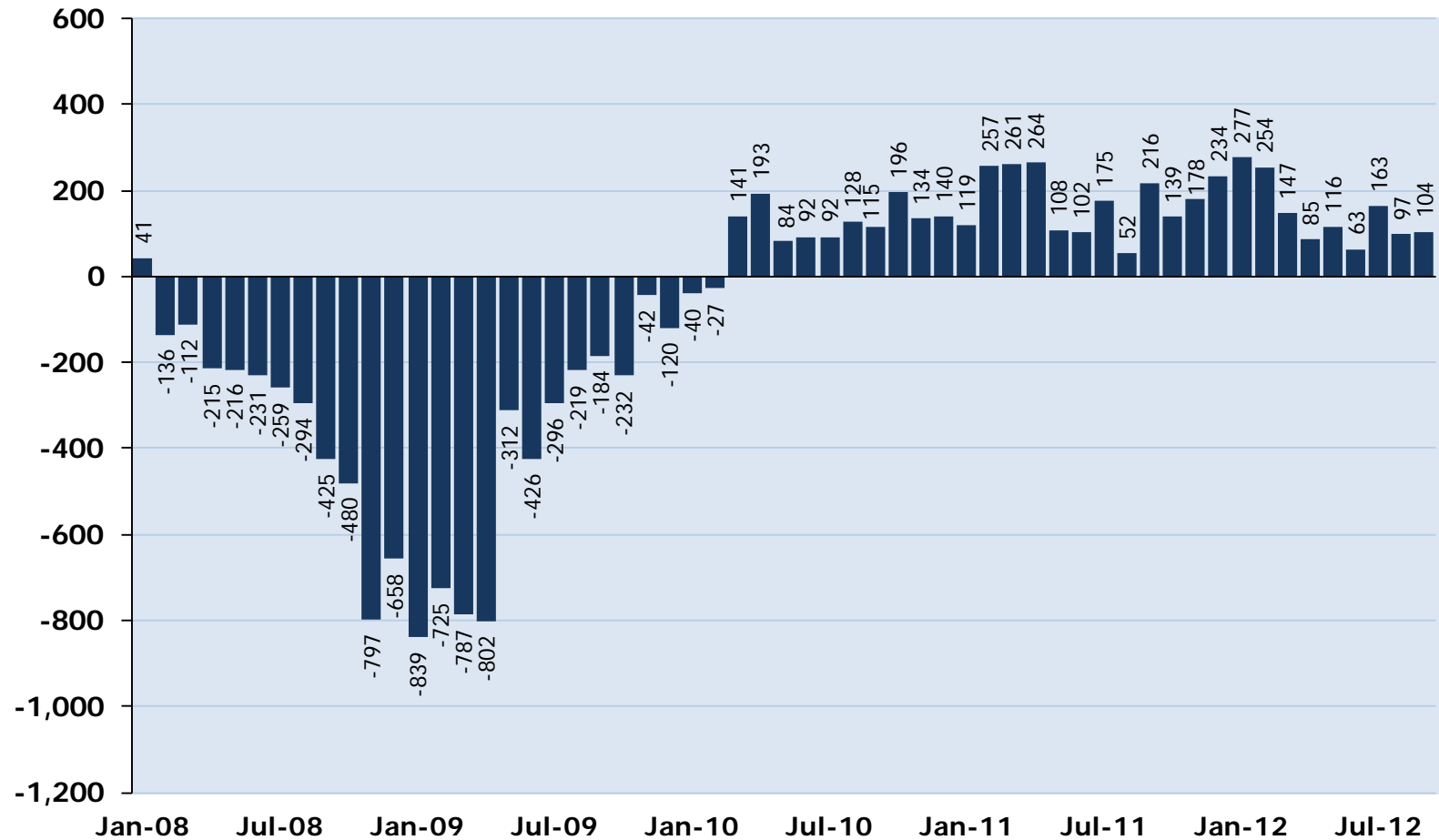
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Employment in total private

Over-the-month change, January 2008–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, in thousands



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics survey, October 05, 2012.
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Employment in total nonfarm

February 2010 – September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, in thousands

Total nonfarm:
4256

Total private:
4726



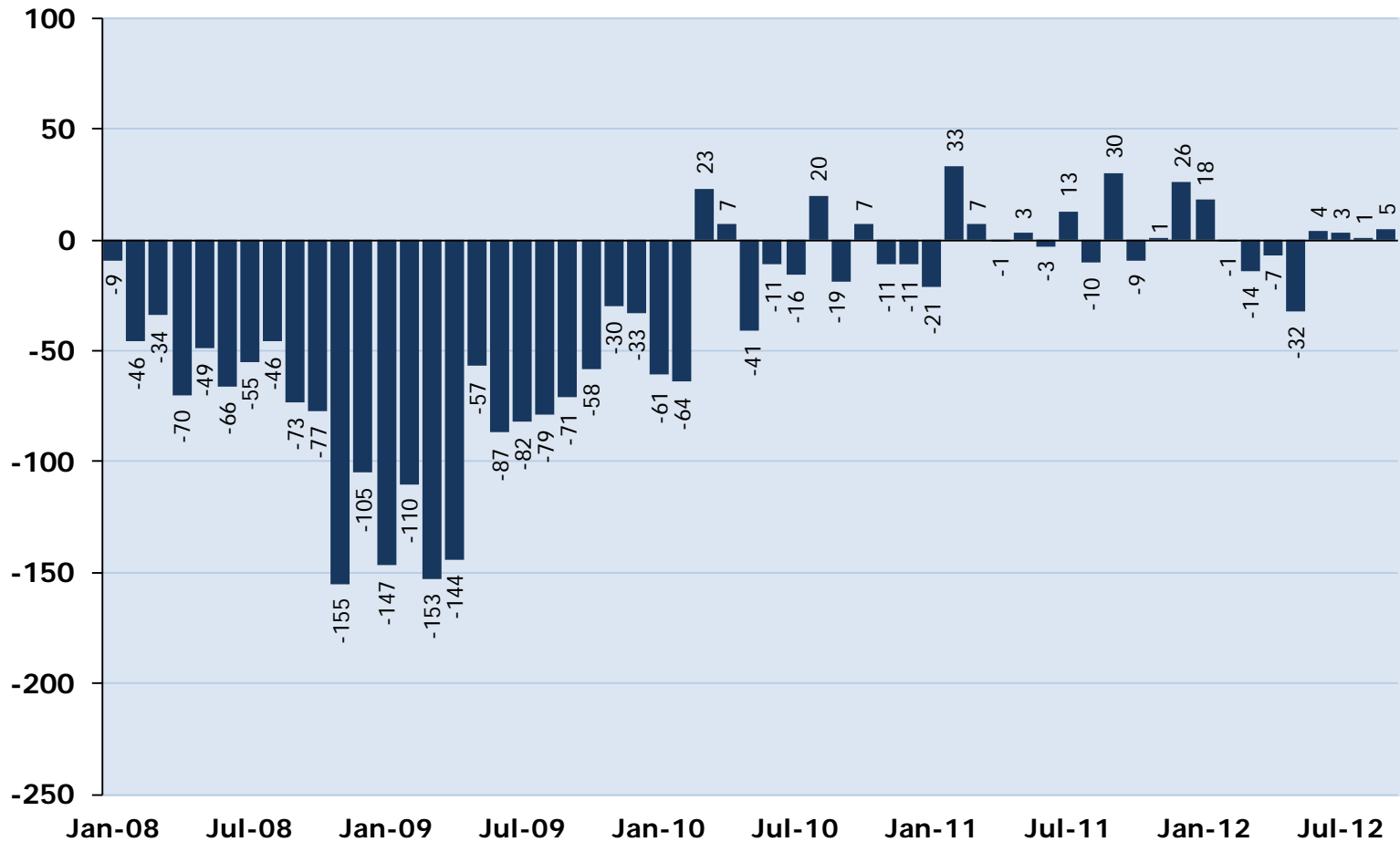
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Employment in construction

Over-the-month change, January 2008–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, in thousands

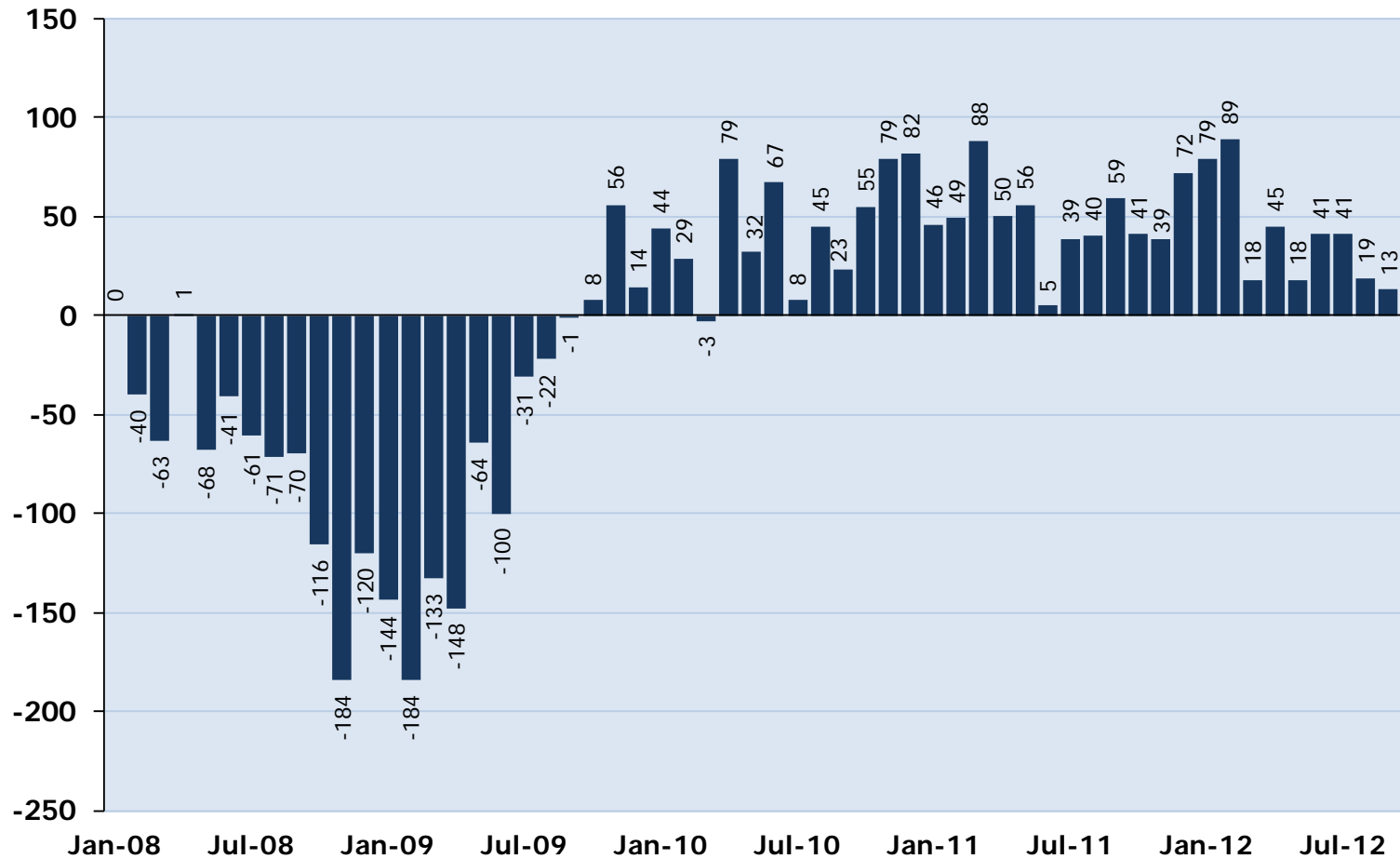


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Employment in professional and business services

Over-the-month change, January 2008–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, in thousands

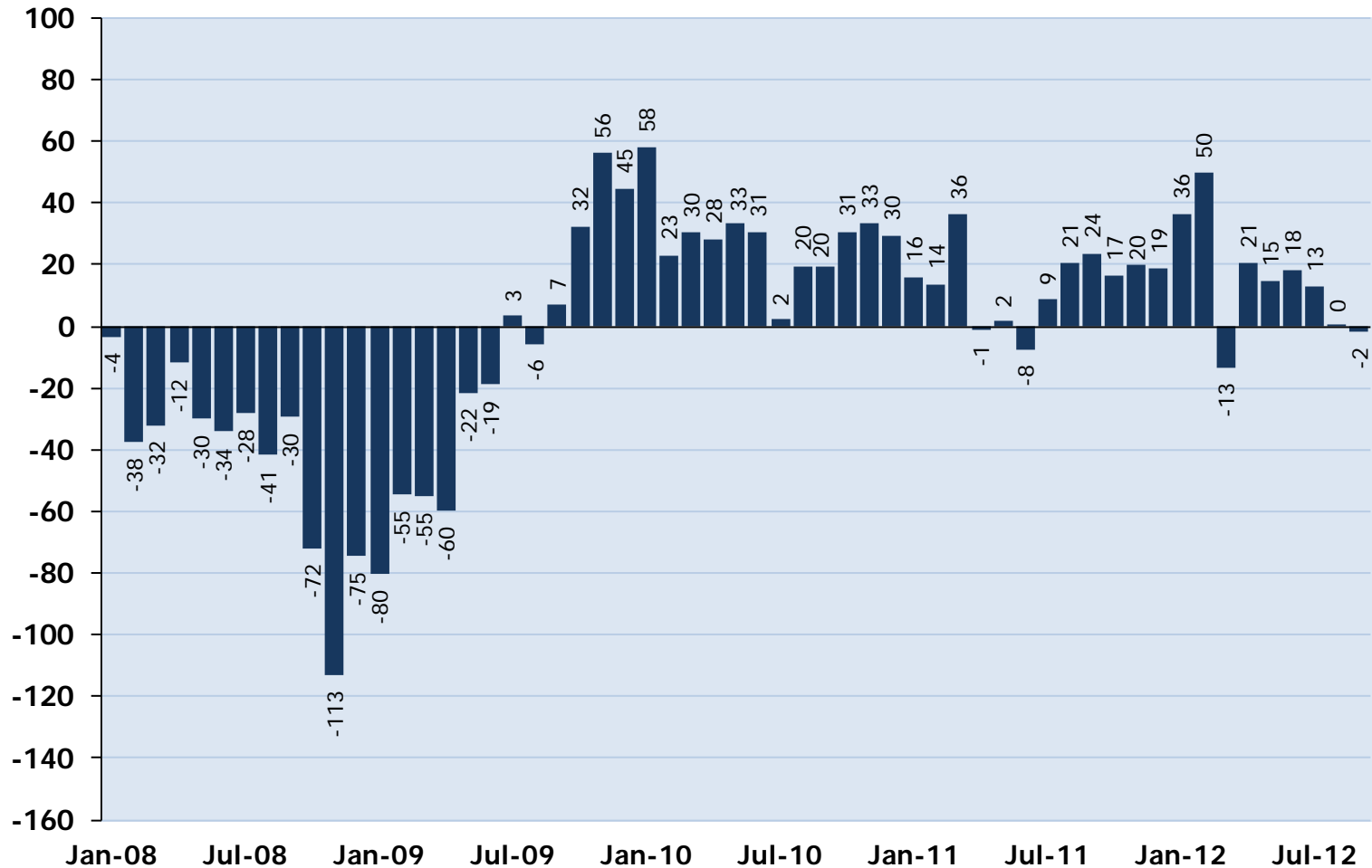


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Employment in temporary help services

Over-the-month change, January 2008–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, in thousands



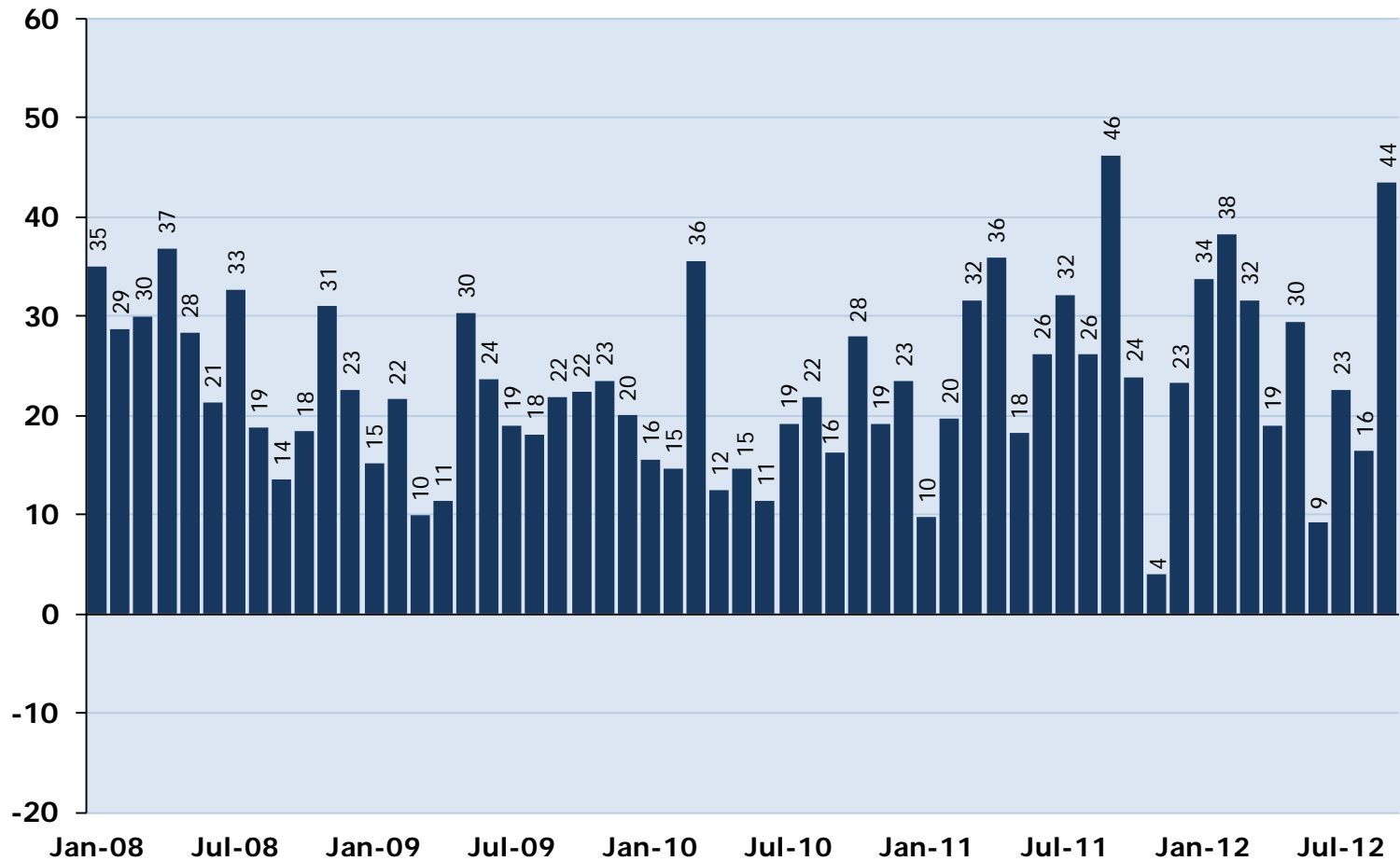
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Employment in health care

Over-the-month change, January 2008–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, in thousands

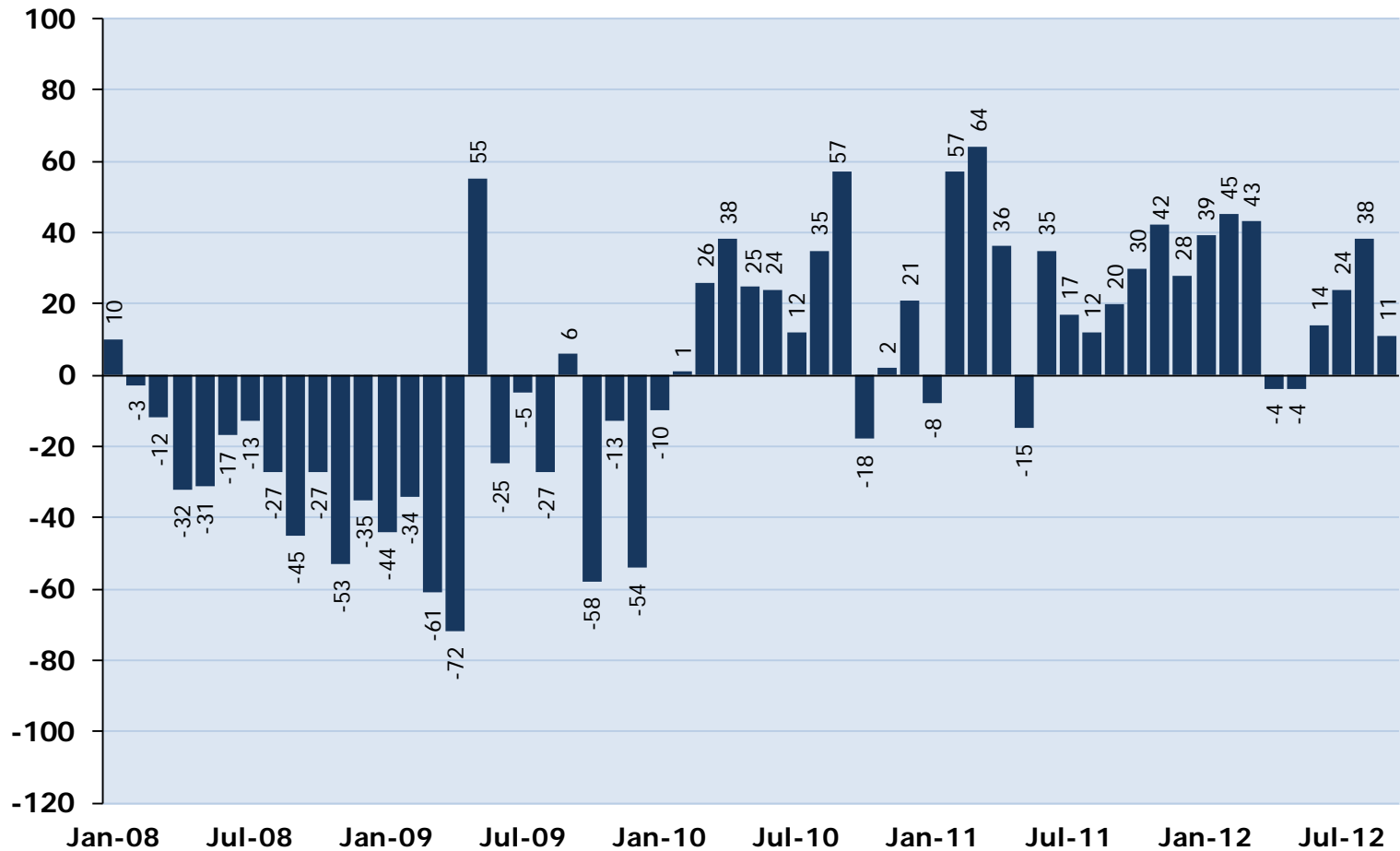


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Employment in leisure and hospitality

Over-the-month change, January 2008–September 2012

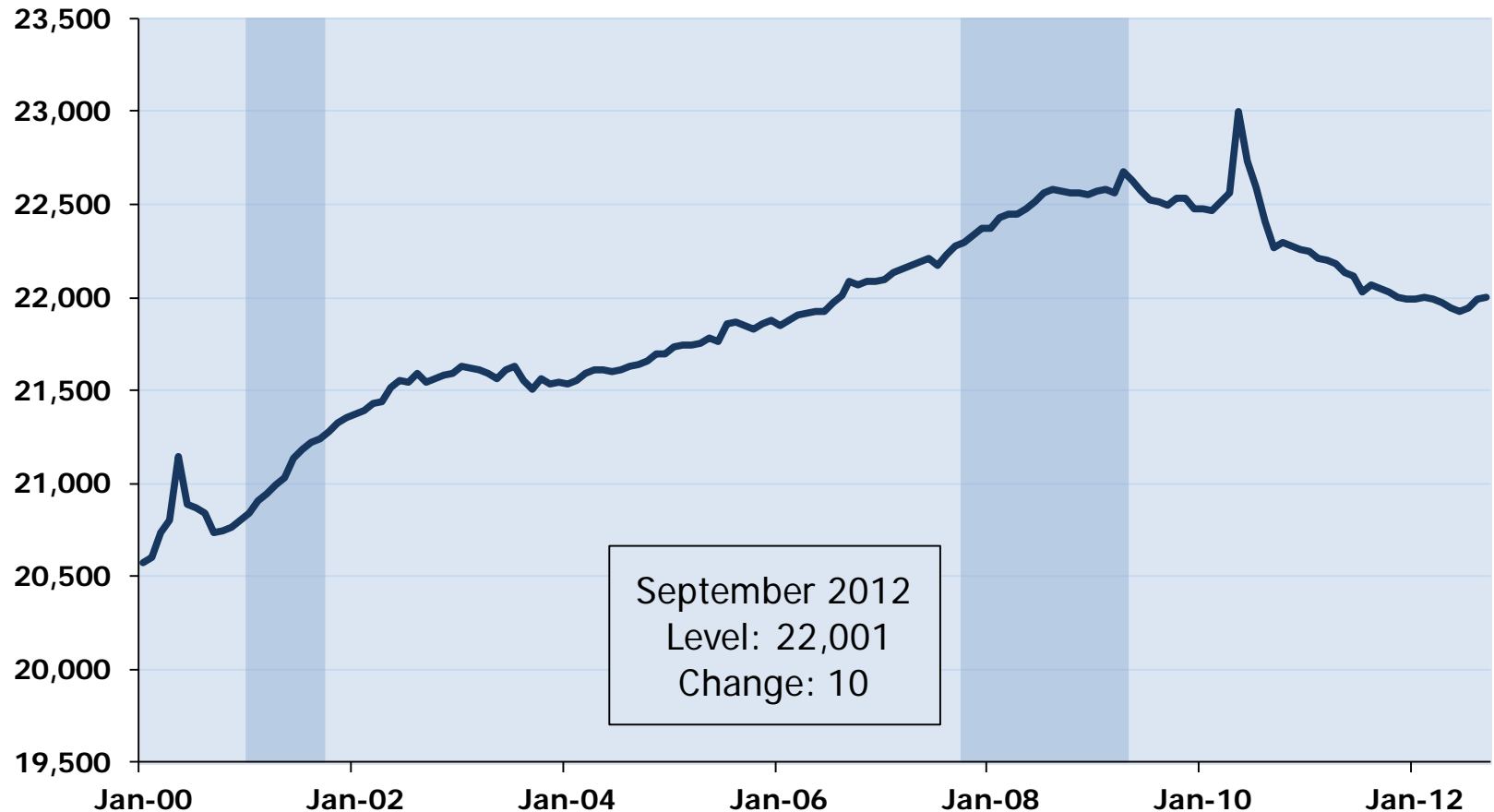
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Employment in government January 2000–September 2012

Seasonally adjusted, in thousands

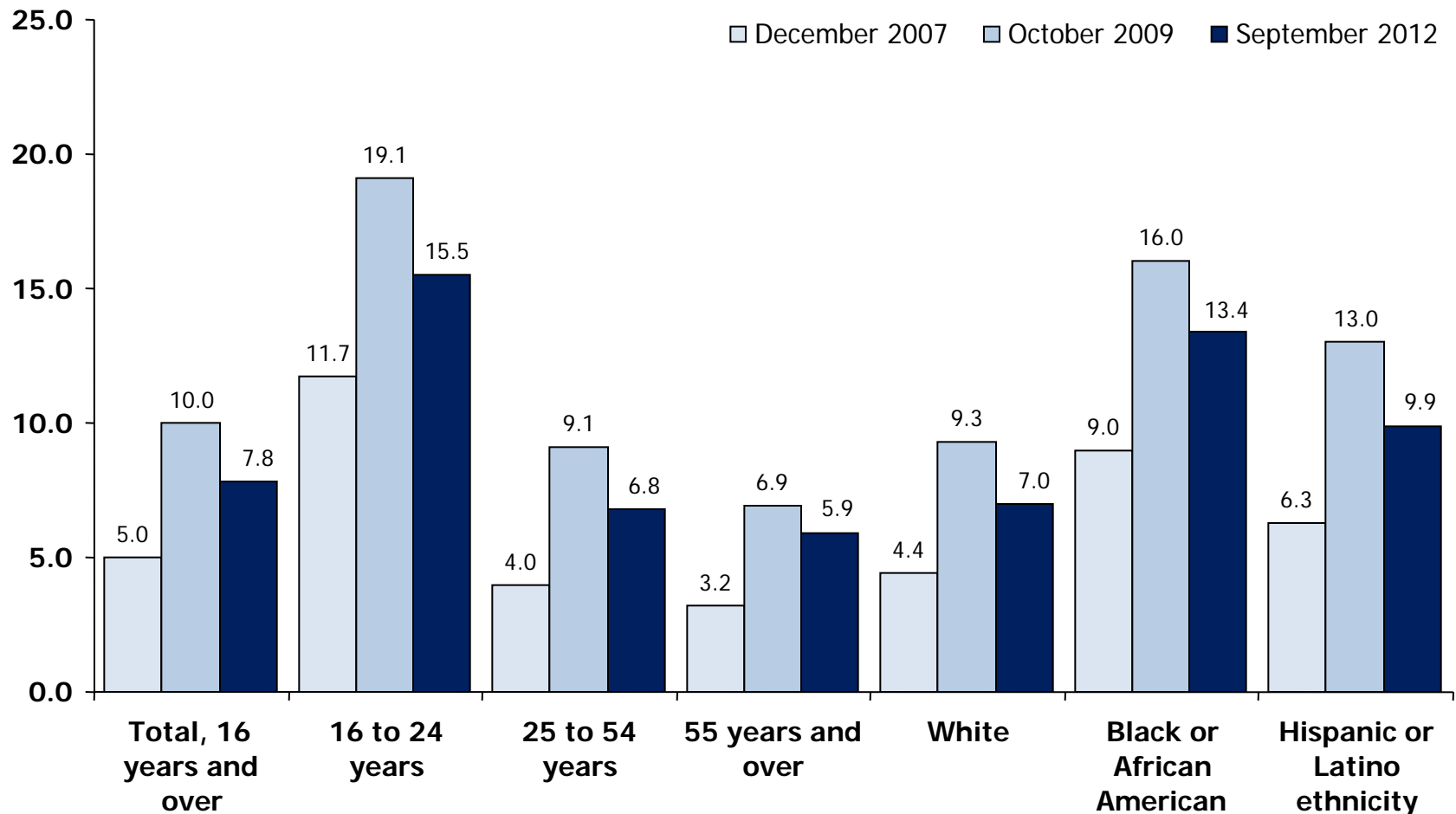


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics survey, October 05, 2012.

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Unemployment rates by age, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity

Seasonally adjusted, percent

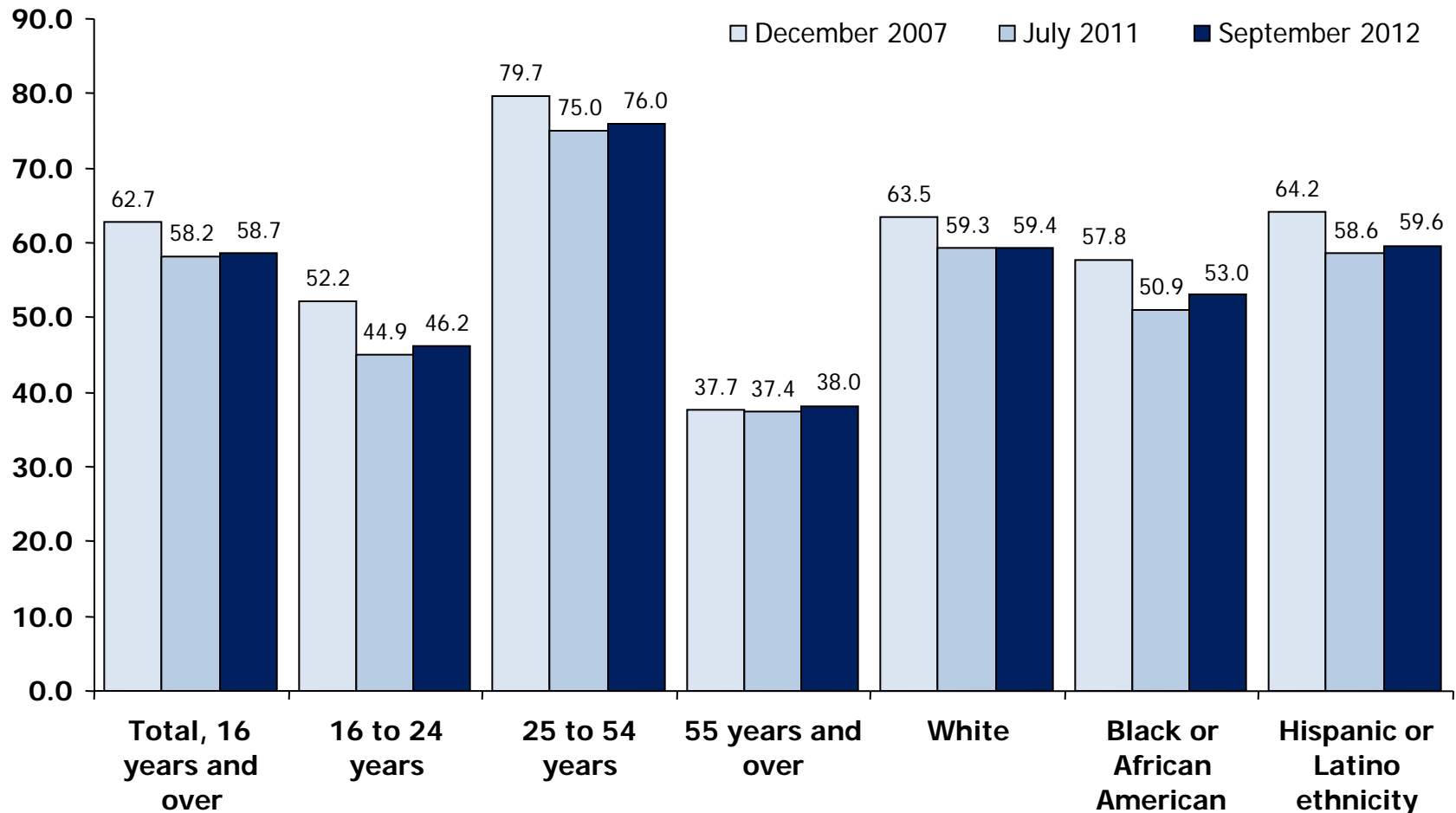


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, October 5, 2012.

Note: The recent recession began in December 2007, as determined by the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER). The unemployment rate for persons 16 years and over reached a recent high in October 2009. 17

Employment-population ratios by age, race, and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity

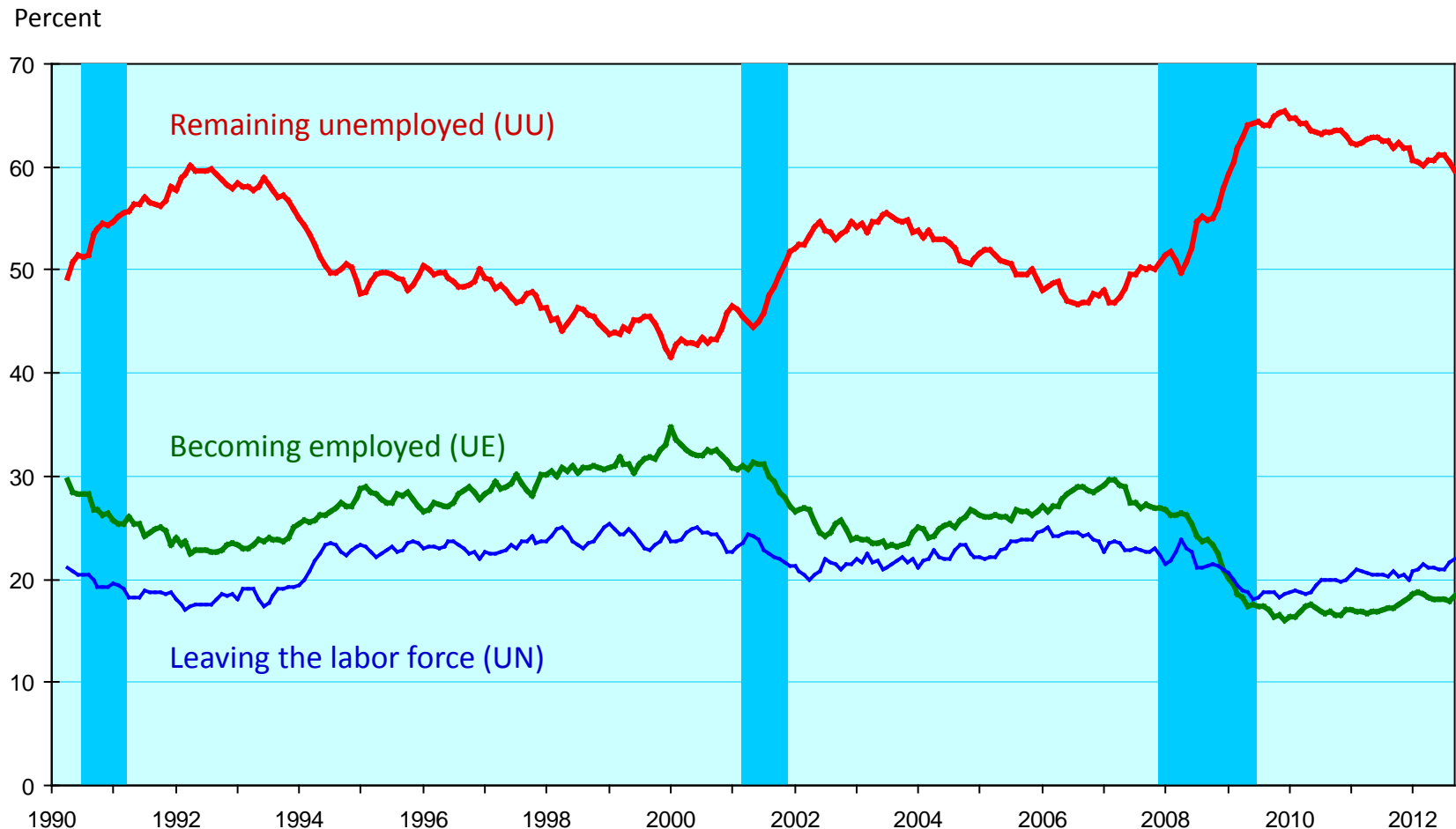
Seasonally adjusted, percent



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, October 5, 2012.

Note: The recent recession began in December 2007, as determined by the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER). The employment-population ratio for persons 16 years and over reached a recent low in July 2011. 18

Likelihood of the unemployed becoming employed, remaining unemployed, or leaving the labor force, seasonally adjusted, 3-month moving average, April 1990-September 2012

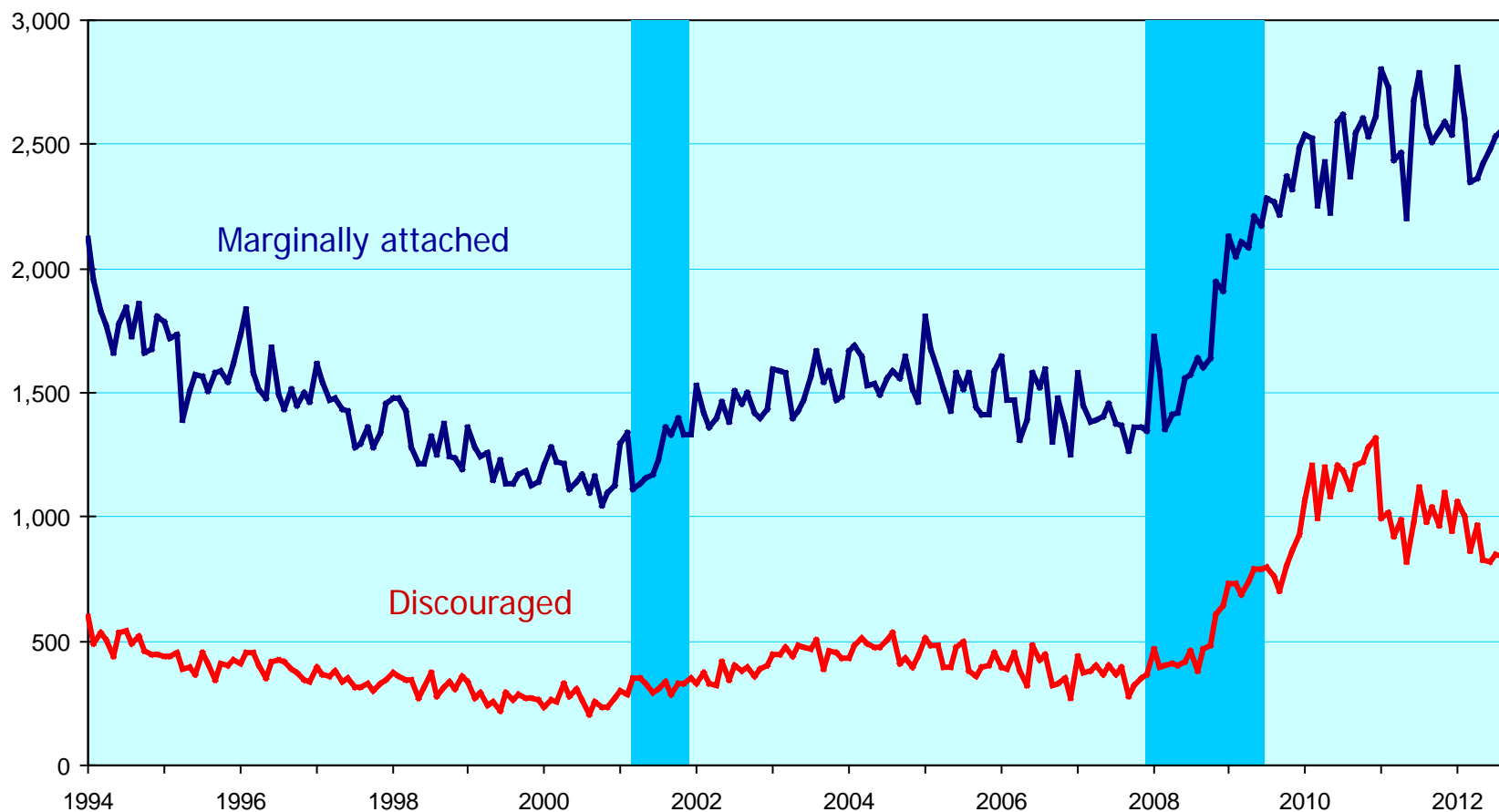


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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, October 5, 2012.

Persons not in the labor force, selected indicators, not seasonally adjusted, 1994-2012

Numbers in thousands



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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, October 5, 2012.

Involuntary part time employment, seasonally adjusted, 1990-2012

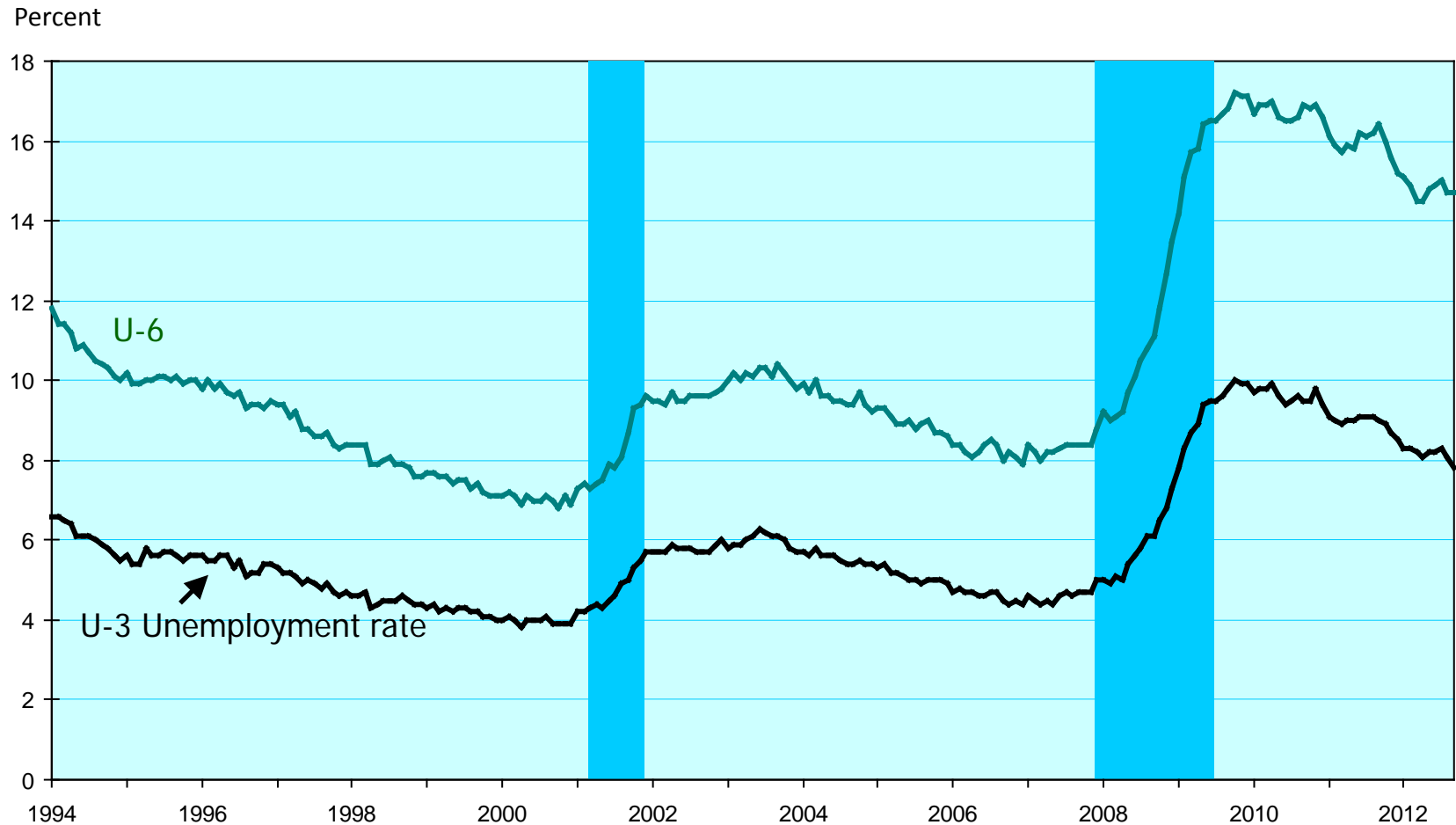
Numbers in thousands



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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, October 5, 2012.

Alternative measures of labor underutilization, seasonally adjusted, 1994-2012



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